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Adeno-Associated Virus Vectors

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 7, 2002, in connection with the aboveidentified application, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Response. A petition for a one-month Extension of Time for Response, up to and including July 7, 2002, is submitted herewith with an authorization to charge the required fee. Because Sunday, July 7, 2002, was a PTO holiday, this response is timely submitted Monday, July 8, 2002.

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